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25X1 1. [] Met with Mrs. Jean Allen, Personal Secretary to Senator James O. Eastland, who after conferring with the Senator advised that it would not be possible for the Senator to come out to the building any time this week. I suggested as possible dates for consideration 27 and 28 April at 5:30 p.m. Mrs. Allen indicated she would advise.

25X1 2. [] Due to Mr. Sheppard's unavailability today as a result of continuous hearings of the Appropriations Military Subcommittee, I made an appointment with Mr. Sheppard's secretary for 9:30 tomorrow morning to brief him on a matter requested by Chairman Clarence Cannon. (See Journal item of 17 April.)

25X1 3. [] Met with Jay Sourwine concerning his request for information of any possible relationship to international communism in the NEW YORK TIMES article on the expulsion of American lawyers from Portugal. (See Journal item of 15 April.) I advised Mr. Sourwine that while we had no direct information, coincidence was noted in the fact that the International Association of Democratic Lawyers held a conference in Budapest the first week in April; and that after a similar meeting some two weeks ago in Sofia, a meeting was held in Portugal. Mr. Sourwine was most appreciative of our assistance.

25X1 4. [] In a meeting with Mr. Charles Johnson, Staff Director, House Post Office and Civil Service Committee, it was indicated that the Executive Pay Bill is marking time at the present. It appears that sufficient votes are not available in the House to take the Executive Pay Bill to the floor.

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25X1 5. [] I accompanied [] 25X1
25X1 and [] to a meeting requested by Representative
Frank T. Bow (R., Ohio). Mr. Bow is quite interested in commun-
ications facilities and wanted to assure himself that there is no dupli-
cation between the Agency budget allocation and State Department request
for funds which will be coming up before the Committee on Wednesday
of this week. [] 25X1
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25X1 [] Upon completion he expressed appreciation for the
guidance given him and indicated that he would enjoy visiting the Agency
headquarters and accepting [] offer to see our facilities 25X1
here. The meeting was most cordial with Mr. Bow evidencing a rather
complete confidence in the Agency, its activities, and the representation
made during the meeting.

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25X1 7. [] In the absence of Congressman Charles 25X1
S. Gubser, I talked with his Administrative Assistant, Mrs. Jean E.
Gordon, regarding the Congressman's letter to the Director requesting
information on []
I advised Mrs. Gordon that [] known to us as a fabricator 25X1
of reports. I gave her [] as we have done 25X1
in a number of other instances where there have been congressional
inquiries on this individual. I pointed out [] main claim to 25X1
fame is the fact that he "predicted the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor".
Mrs. Gordon said that the Congressman suspected that [] 25X1
this type of individual but was anxious to know a little more about him
since he resides in the Congressman's district and it is quite possible
that in the course of events their paths might cross. She was most
appreciative of our information and verified from their standpoint that
25X1 [] his "reports" to many people on the Hill as well as to various
executive agencies.

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25X1 8. [] Talked with Miss Virginia Turner, secretary to Representative Ray J. Madden, regarding his letter to the Director in which he transmitted a constituent letter stating among other things that Secretary of State Rusk and ~~Dean~~ Harriman are communists. Madden had sent the constituent a stern response referring to the constituent's letter as propaganda material. In his letter to us Mr. Madden asked that we answer this constituent's charges (a copy of this material had also been sent to State Department). I advised Miss Turner that we preferred not to become involved in correspondence with individuals of this sort, but at her request I agreed to send the Congressman's letter indicating that the matter had been referred to "the appropriate agency". She pointed out that Mr. Madden desires nothing from us on this but only wishes to bring pressure on individuals of this sort.

25X1 9. [] Mr. Cary and [] Office of Security, met with Mr. George Murphy and Mr. John Conway, JCAE staff, and permitted them to review the Agency's investigative reports on an employee who is being considered for employment as a member of the Joint Committee staff. Mr. Murphy and Mr. Conway seemed completely satisfied both with the information that was made available to them and to the character and integrity of this individual.

Mr. Conway made reference to the Murrey Marder article on the President's proposed cut back in the U. S. atomic energy program. He said the Committee was extremely interested in this and might well wish to have the Director appear before the Committee again to discuss this most recent development. The staff is now making arrangements for hearings with the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

25X1 10. [] Talked further with Mr. Dean Sharp, on the staff of the Senate Judiciary Antitrust and Monopoly Subcommittee, regarding Soviet insurance companies. Mr. Sharp is anxious to develop an outline for hearings on the various aspects of the operations of companies like Garant, Black Sea and Baltic, and Ingosstrakh. He is interested in their affect on world trade, the other implications of the reinsurance activities between these companies and the use of these

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companies for intelligence purposes. As I have previously explained to Mr. Sharp, I pointed out that these companies were constituted ideal "cover" for communist agents but that I was not in a position to give him specific information in this area. Mr. Sharp has the feeling that no one in the executive branch is really following this very important activity. I told him that we were following it from several angles but that he might wish to talk with the Department of State regarding the impact of these organizations on foreign policy etc. Meanwhile, I propose to talk further with CI Staff to determine whether we can be of any assistance to Senator Dodd (the Chairman of this Committee) on this subject and whether any Committee investigation would pose problems to the Agency.

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25X1 11. [] Talked to Senator Milton Young's office regarding [] a Hong Kong refugee with whom [] 25X1
has had some contact and who asked us to "put in a good word for her with Senator Young". I indicated to Senator Young's staff that obviously we did not get involved in matters of this sort and wanted to make it clear that the Agency was in no way supporting this individual who appeared to be a name-dropper. Senator Young's office is well acquainted with this individual and shares our opinion. 25X1

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Mr. Chretien
Item #10 - Richard Helms

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